Case OR-7244 US

Appln. No.: 10/589,413

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 9, 11-14, 16, 18, 21, 24, 29-30, 34, 37, 51, 54-56 and 58-59 are pending in the case. Claims 63 and 65 have been newly cancelled. Claim 1 has been amended to include features of cancelled Claim 63, while Claim 54 has been amended to include features of cancelled Claim 65.

Applicants with to thank the Examiner for discussing this application during a telephone interview on December 11, 2009. In that call, the Attorney for the Applicant and the Examiner discussed incorporating the amount of protic acid in the claims. Attorney for Applicant reminded the Examiner of a call that occurred on June 26, 2009 with the previous attorney, Mary Drabnis, where the Examiner indicated that he would grant allowance if both the amount of the amine and acid were included in the claims. In the previous response, only the amount of the amine was added in the claims. The current amended claims contain the amount of the protic acid and thus the case is believed to be in condition for allowance.

It should also be noted that in the Final Office Action dated July 7, 2009, the Examiner indicated that the claims would be allowed if claims 62 to 65 were rewritten in independent claim form. Since the limitations of claims 62 to 65 have been incorporated into independent claims 1 and 54, Applicants have acceded to the Examiner's requirements, and the claims should be allowed.

No fee is believed due for this response. If any fee is due, please charge the appropriate fee amount to Albemarle Deposit Account No. 01-0659. Should a discussion be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (225) 388-7235.

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